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February 24th, 2021

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G. Marshall Klinefelter

RE: SB 661 – <u>FAVORABLE</u> – Environment – Maryland Oil Disaster Containment, Clean–Up and Contingency - Fund and Oil Contaminated Site Environmental Cleanup Fund – Funding,

Dear Chairman Pinsky and Committee Members:

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

Senator Paul G. Pinsky, Chair

Annapolis, MD 21401

2 West Miller Senate Office Building

Reallocation, and Reimbursements

The Maryland Asphalt Association is comprised of 18 producer members representing more than 47 production facilities, 21 contractor members, 24 consulting engineer firms and 39 other associate members. We proactively work with regulatory agencies to represent the interests of the asphalt industry both in the writing and interpretation of state and federal regulations that may affect our members. We also advocate for adequate state and federal funding for Maryland's multimodal transportation system.

SB 661 pertains to the funding of oil containment and oil clean up in Maryland. As an industry, we use this program often and hope to see it continue. This program has been extremely beneficial for us to ensure safe environmental practices. The needs of our members and industry are great, and this bill would help us serve our community as efficiently as possible. We appreciate the sponsor's steps in maintaining a clean and healthy environment while simultaneously addressing the needs of the transportation industry.

We thank you for your time and consideration and ask for a FAVORABLE report on Senate Bill 661.

Thank you,

Marshall Klinefelter

President

Maryland Asphalt Association